

2025 Annual Report

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Ms. McKinnon's Journey:

A determined mom finds a listening ear from Noah at Central

Ms. McKinnon has a big heart for helping others, a strong determination, and a motivation to care for her family. Fuelled by her children's smiles, Ms. McKinnon knew she had to find a way to navigate her family of six out of homelessness. Initially, Ms. McKinnon experienced rejection by other housing and navigation programs, because of her family's size. That is when Ms. McKinnon became aware of Noah at Central through CAM Detroit, an assessment and referral agency, and was enrolled for housing navigation services.



Since working with the Noah at Central outreach team, Ms. McKinnon and family, who have been sleeping in a vehicle, are actively viewing houses and are close to calling someplace home.

Ms. McKinnon has always been determined to care for her family, but now a team from Noah at Central is alongside to help navigate her family into securing housing. "NOAH's navigation and street outreach team, along with the COTS caseworker, Ms. Davis has provided a non-judgmental listening ear," Ms. McKinnon shared, noting how supported she felt because this team approaches their work as a true calling.

Alongside the housing navigation, Noah also provides Ms. McKinnon and family with case management and assistance for basic needs: food, water, clothing, and transportation to other community resources like food banks. These basic needs that are typically shared by our steadfast volunteers along with partner churches, schools and businesses allow Ms. McKinnon to provide for her family and create space for her to focus on her larger goals like securing housing.

Noah at Central works with all clients, including Ms. McKinnon, not just to find the first available option for housing, but to give our clients self-determination to find a home that meets their needs, values, and priorities. Today, Ms McKinnon believes stability, safety, and support, "looks like family and a feeling of community when working with caring people." We celebrate with Ms McKinnon that she continues to work towards housing and is closer to her goal than when we were first introduced. "Moving forward," concludes Ms. McKinnon, "means not worrying about the past, having a fresh start, and having my children sleeping in their own beds."

Everyone deserves a community. As we continue to partner with Ms. McKinnon towards permanent supportive housing, we celebrate that Ms. McKinnon has found a community here.

2025 BY THE NUMBERS

125

Client casework sessions



742

Client showers with The WAVE Project

1,925

Volunteer hours for Bag Lunch Program

1,336

Street Outreach hours



29,745

Lunches served

8,000

Socks donated



250

Clients receiving mail through our Community Center

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The Power of Partnerships

This year was one of tremendous growth for Noah at Central, fueled by new and long-standing partners. Here are three of the most exciting examples:

(1) Pedal to Provide, created to address food insecurity, became a new partner this year. It was exciting to ride through Hines Park with them in June during their Annual Stroll & Roll, an event which raised over \$8,500 to support our Bag Lunch Program.

(2) We participated once again in the Rocket Charity Challenge and came in 2nd place, thanks to our many generous supporters. This gave us an additional \$20,000 over and above what we raised

during the challenge to provide essential services for our clients.

(3) And we ended the year with a tax credit award from the State of Michigan. This award is the financial key that will make possible 39 units of permanent supportive housing we are building in partnership with Central United Methodist Church (see below).

In embracing the excitement of this year, we also had to face some significant challenges. Just as many of us have experienced increased cost of living and rising food prices, so too has Noah at Central. We are grateful to each of our supporters, including our bag lunch

contributors who provide a welcome gateway for our clients. We encourage additional groups to become involved. We are deeply saddened by local and national efforts to criminalize homelessness.

During 2026, we welcome you to join us:

- At Pedal to Provide's 5th Annual Stroll and Roll event on June 27 at Hines Park.
- With a gift during the Rocket Charity Challenge in August.
- Through a commitment to sponsor or help out with our Bag Lunch Program (NoahatCentral.org/bag-lunch).
- By learning about and sharing stories of the work of Noah at Central with your community.

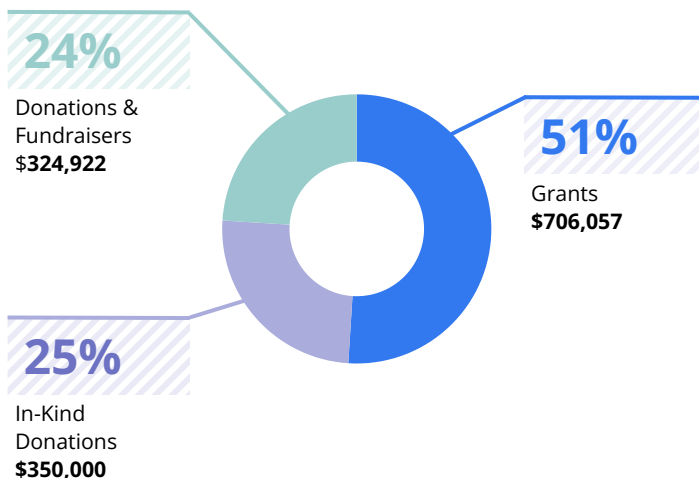
\$16.5M Low Income Housing Tax Credit Awarded to Noah at Central

For many years, Noah at Central has had a vision to provide permanent supportive housing for our clients. Over the past four years, through a partnership with Central United Methodist Church where we are housed, we have been working to bring this vision to reality.

It includes not only 39 units of supportive housing but also a complete redevelopment of our current operating space.

On December 19, 2025, we, along with our development partner, were awarded a Low Income Housing Tax Credit from the State of Michigan. This funding unlocks approximately 80% of the funding needed to complete this project. We are so excited to be moving forward with this project and look forward to sharing more about it in our spring newsletter.

2025 REVENUE



2025 EXPENSES

